

Docket No. SHEE200049

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re **PATENT** application of:

Applicant: DBT GmbH
Application No.: U.S. National Stage Entry of PCT/EP03/09361
Filing Date: Unknown
Group: Unknown
Title: Method for joining the functional parts of hydraulic or pneumatic working devices, and joining connection

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

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Dear Sir:

Favorable reconsideration of the above-identified application is respectfully requested in view of the following preliminary amendment.